

DATE: February 6, 2020

TO: Todd Wyett, Chairman
State Transportation Commission

FROM: Paul C. Ajegba
Director

SUBJECT: Waiver of Commission Approval

The project and description documented in Exhibit A, attached, is an amendment to a contract between the Michigan Department of Transportation and Quandel Consultants, LLC. This contract requires approval of the State Transportation Commission (STC). The approximate 12-week delay resulting if Commission approval were deferred to the next STC meeting on April 23, 2020, would delay the transmittal of funds, and jeopardize construction schedules and transportation services.

Thus, a waiver of the required Commission approval is requested, as provided in Commission Resolution 79-3, as amended, footnote F:

“If, in the opinion of the Director, the public interest requires that a certain contract be awarded or an agreement be executed prior to approval by the Commission, hereunder, the Director shall seek a waiver of the required approval from the Chairman of the Transportation Commission. If the request of the approval is verbal, the waiver shall be confirmed, in writing, within fourteen (14) days.”

If the waiver is granted, the Department will proceed to execute the items noted above.

Signed copy on file

Director

The request for waiver of Commission approval of the above-mentioned items are approved.

Signed copy on file

Todd Wyett, Chairman

February 3, 2020

Date

REQUEST FOR MICHIGAN STATE TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION APPROVAL

CONTRACT

February 6, 2020

The following contracts are being submitted for approval. The appropriate documents will be approved by the Attorney General and comply with all legal and fiscal requirements prior to award.

CONTRACT

1. RAIL – Increase Services and Amount
Amendatory Contract (2012-0292/A14) between MDOT and Quandel Consultants, LLC, will increase the contract amount by \$666,807 to provide for additional services, including Federal Railroad Administration grant application management, Michigan Accelerated Rail Coordination System support, Rail Asset Management support, miscellaneous railroad engineering work, and work on the Albion safety improvements project. The original contract provides for as-needed engineering and project management services to be performed to support MDOT projects along the Chicago-Detroit/Pontiac High Speed Rail Corridor, including tasks related to management, planning, and design activities to support the improvement and implementation of accelerated rail services in Michigan and other engineering and project management services as they may arise. The contract term remains unchanged, May 7, 2012, through December 31, 2020. The revised contract amount will be \$5,663,540. Source of Funds: Federal Transit Administration Funds - \$75,000; Federal Highway Administration Funds - \$13,519.80; State Restricted Comprehensive Transportation Funds - \$5,553,596; State Restricted Trunkline Funds - \$21,424.20.

Upon receipt of your approval, the contracts and agreements will be processed for award. Subject to the exercise of the discretion in the processing, I approve the contracts described in this agenda and authorize the award by the responsible management staff of MDOT to the extent authorized by and in accordance with the December 14, 1983, resolution of the State Transportation Commission and the Director's delegation memorandum of February 11, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on file

Paul C. Ajegba
Director